

Local News

The county campaign closed at Chesterfield Saturday.

Miss Mabel Raley, of McBee is visiting at the home of Mr. J. C. Blackwell.

Mr. Julius Maples, who moved from the Evans' Mill section to Lancaster last fall, has moved back home.

Mr. G. C. Mangum cut his leg at the knee joint with a knife one day last week, and has been on crutches as a result. He is improving however, and will soon be well.

There was a severe hailstorm in the McBee section last Friday afternoon. The path of the storm was very narrow, but the crops in this path were almost completely destroyed.

Mr. Thos. Vick, of Winston Salem, N. C., is visiting his father, Mr. J. I. Vick. He had never seen Pageland until the other day. The last time he was here it was the Fox Place.

Mr. Roy McColl, who left here a few days ago for Newport News, Va., sailed on a large Norwegian steamer from that port last Friday, bound for Buenos Aires, of the Argentine Republic of South America.

Mr. J. E. Agerton sold the first bale of new cotton on this market Friday. It weighed 532 pounds and was bought by D. B. Harrington for 14 1-2 cents, amounting to \$77.10. The second bale was sold on Saturday for 15 cents.

The impending railway strike of the main roads of the country does not include the employees of branch lines, such as the C. & L. and the C. M. & C. Should the strike come however, these roads will have very little work to do, and would probably stop the trains.

Mr. J. A. Arant sold the first bale of new cotton at Monroe last Thursday. It weighed 530 pounds and was sold for 15 1-8 cents. The seed sold for 60 cents a bushel, and the seed and cotton amounted to a little more than \$100. Shute & Wilson ginned the bale free of charge, and J. E. Stack & Co. bought it.

Mr. George Gardner says it was a sight to see the boys run at his saw mill one day last week when the steam pipe broke and let the steam escape with a loud noise. It will be remembered that a boiler at his mill exploded several months ago, and a recollection of this fact probably aided the "boys" to speed up the other day when they started away. George says it took some of them two hours to get back.

The bridge over Lynch's river at Cooke's mill has been completed and is now open for travel. Mr. W. J. Hicks had the contract to build this bridge, and was given thirty days in which to complete the work. He worked a large force of hands and did the work in a little over half the time allotted him. This bridge is on one of the main roads from Pageland to Lancaster county, and it is fortunate that the work has been done.

Mrs. T. J. Rayfield died suddenly at her home in Lancaster Sunday afternoon about 2 o'clock from heart failure, and was buried at Philadelphia church in Lanes Creek township Monday afternoon, Rev. R. M. Haigler conducting the service. She was about 31 years old, and is survived by her husband, 8 children and several brothers and sisters. She was a daughter of the late Mr. Jerry Threath. Mr. and Mrs. Rayfield moved last fall from the Salem section to Lancaster.

Personals

Misses Louise Simpson and Kate Funderburk left yesterday to spend a few days near Chesterfield.

Mr. Zellie Sanders and sister, Miss Carrie, of Elza, Ga., are visiting at the home of Mr. S. A. Sellers.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Wright and children, of Lancaster, visited relatives in and near Pageland last week.

Mrs. W. W. Boone and little daughter, Mary Alice, of Jasper, Ala., is visiting Miss Alice Threath.

Mr. A. R. Collins, of north-west Georgia, was here Wednesday and Thursday visiting. He came home to see his father, Mr. Jordan Collins, who is in very bad health at his home in Lanes Creek township.

CENTER GROVE ITEMS

Picking cotton is the order of the day in this vicinity now.

Glad to report Mrs. G. W. Kirkley is improving after a prolonged illness.

Mr. J. A. Kirkley killed a rattlesnake one day last week that was four and one half feet long and had ten rattlers.

Mr. George Simpson and sister, Miss Loma, spent Sunday with their aunt, Mrs. Fletcher of Jefferson.

Rev. J. W. Elkins closed a protracted meeting at Zion last Sunday, in which there were ten additions to the church.

Sorry to report Mrs. Tine Jordan on the sick list this week.

Miss Nellie Kirkley spent Thursday with Miss Emma Graves at Pageland.

Mr. J. W. Jordan and family spent Sunday at the home of Mr. D. B. Jordan.

It seems from the way the wedding bells are ringing from the different sections, the girls are taking advantage of leap year.

News Notes From Mt. Moriah Section

Crops in this immediate section seem to be suffering for rain but indications are that we will have rain today, Monday.

Mr. P. H. Mills, formerly of this community but now of Charlotte, was notified by telegram Saturday of the death of his grandson, Bertice Mills, and arrived Sunday in time for the burial. He is visiting relatives for a few days before he returns home.

Mr. Baxter Mills who has been visiting in Charlotte for several days returned Sunday. Masters Horace and John Brewer, of Monroe, are spending a few days with friends and relatives in our neighborhood.

Protracted meeting closed at Salem Friday night. It was well attended and the church much revived.

Mr. J. L. Griggs, who has been in the mountains of western North Carolina during the summer, came in Saturday to spend a few weeks with relatives and friends here and in Marlboro county. He will return to school about September 20th.

Miss Desdine Lowery, of Altan, who has been visiting her cousin in this section for the past week, returned to her home Sunday. Mr. Zeb Rayfield accompanied her.

The wife of Mr. Andrew Mills, who has been suffering from dropsy all summer seems somewhat improved.

Bertice, the two-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Mills of the Mt. Moriah section died Saturday, August 26, of diphtheria. He was a bright child and had been sick but a short while, his death being so sudden was a surprise and shock to his parents and the community. The body was laid to rest in the Mt. Moriah cemetery Sunday afternoon, services being conducted by Mr. Jas. L. Griggs. The family has the sympathy of the people at large.

Should the Strike Come

If the railroad strike comes it will not be a halfway affair. It is probable that the Pennsylvania Railroad would operate its trains in a way, that company being equipped with a reserve force and having the voluntarily offered services of a number of employes in all branches, but on all other railroads there would be a complete stoppage of wheels.

The Government has no control over labor and it would be powerless to enforce the running of mail trains. The railroad contract with the Government for the transportation of the mails and in turn contract with their employes for running the trains carrying the mails. In response to any demand that the Government might make for the fulfillment of this contract the railroad managers could only make answer that the men are on strike and it is impossible to move the mails. During the period of the enforcement of the strike the country would be cut off from rail transportation of any kind. The post-offices would have only local business to attend to; the newspapers could not reach out of town subscribers except by automobile or other improvised service; merchants could not secure freight of any kind and would be unable to replenish any line of stock upon which they have railroad dependence. The brotherhoods might have consideration enough to give a week's notice that the public might make that much preparation against the blockade and give people away from home opportunity to make the home port before the running of trains should cease. But the strike once ordered it would be on in its complete shape. The railroad managers would adopt the only recourse open to them. They would simply abide the consequences of a total tie-up. How long would the strike last and how would it be broken are questions not easily answered. It is possible that the railroads, not being faced with the alternative of Government ownership, might be able to resume business partially, at least, within less than a week, but it is a question if the managers of the roads would feel justified in making any attempt to readjust traffic with no guarantee that once again having brought their trains into service they would be free from a renewal of the trouble. In case of the stoppage of trains it is the public that will have to pay.—Charlotte Observer.

'Buck' Newton Injured By Charlotte Autoist
Wadesboro, Aug. 26.—A peculiarly sad automobile accident occurred on the public square here this afternoon, when "Buck" Newton, a character known for many miles around, was run down by an automobile of contractor Hilton, of Charlotte. Buck makes himself familiar with friend and stranger alike, and has always been accorded free and extra privileges of the streets of the city. Acquaintances are cautious when he is around and prevent his getting injured, but Mr. Hilton, being a stranger, used only ordinary precautions when he drove through the streets. "Buck" received a painful but not serious wound on his right foot, the front wheel of the automobile having passed over the ball of his foot. Dr. E. S. Ashe dressed the wound and friends took "Buck" home.

No Typewriter for Him

A large firm that has recently introduced a typewriter into its correspondence department received an indignant letter from a country customer the other day, saying: "I want you to understand that you needn't print letters sent to me. I can read writing—even yours—and I don't want to be insulted by reflections on my education.—Caswell's Journal.

Roy Funderburk Writes to Corn Club Boys

Clemson College, S. C.—Dear Friends of Chesterfield county. After having taken a short course of four weeks at Clemson Agricultural College, I want to write a few lines to the Corn Club boys who did not have the opportunity of being here, and especially to the boys of my community, and tell them some of the many advantages we have here.

We have four lessons a day and one hour for military drill. We have had many good lectures and have learned much about soil, fertilizers crops, cattle, hogs, plants diseases, animal diseases, dairying, orchard work, insects and many other things. We have had some good picture shows, and a fine time in the swimming pool at the Y. M. C. A. We visited the college farms and saw the crops there, also the the experiment station and the new crops and new methods they are trying out there. We visited also the dairy and horse barns, the creamery, the hog experiments, and saw many interesting things at each place.

We all like it fine, but a few of the boys have had to walk extras and carry a big gun because of some of their little pranks.

Clemson College started in 1889 and is now far ahead of any other agricultural school in the South, and is steadily and rapidly growing.

There are seventy-five boys who have taken advantage of the short summer course. I think I speak for all when I say it has been the most profitable month we have ever spent. It makes us see the efforts that we have put forth are to advantage, and also to see the great possibilities there are for profitable farming.

To the parents I would say, if it is possible for you to send your boys to an agricultural school do so, for you can not realize the advantage it will be, not only to them but to you and to the country. And if you send your boys to any agricultural school, send them to Clemson Agricultural College.

Roy B. Funderburk.

Italy Declares War On Germany

Rome, Aug. 27.—Italy today declared war on Germany. A communication was addressed by the Italian government to the Swiss government asking that Germany be advised that Italy considers itself at war with Germany from and after August 28.

Italy and Germany have been disfiguring steadily toward war. In fact Italy's formal declaration amounts to little more than official recognition of a state of affairs which already existed. The declaration became inevitable when it recently sent troops to Saloniki to cooperate in the campaign on the Macedonian front, as Germany is directing the opposing forces and has troops on this battle line.

Italy's position has been anomalous since she withdrew from the triple alliance and declared war on Austria. Although by this act she arrayed herself against her former allies, Germany and Austria she remained officially at peace with Germany until yesterday. Germany exerted every effort to induce her to remain neutral, sending to Rome as ambassador Prince von Buelow, one of the ablest statesmen of Germany. The prince for some time averted war between Austria and Italy and when he saw a rupture was inevitable he negotiated a special agreement under which, in case of war between Austria and Italy, Germany and Italy pledged themselves to respect the properties and lives of their respective subjects in each others domains. This meant for Germany a guarantee of many million dollars worth of property in Italy and for Italy the safety of

Financing The Farmer

The farmer's business often needs a little extra financial backing if it is to grow and prosper.

That is one reason why he should have strong and willing bank behind him.

It is an important function of this bank to give temporary assistance to the farmers who seek it of us, and who have demonstrated their ability to repay obligations when due.

The best way to have a credit here is to carry an account with us, and we cordially invite not only the farmer but every one who wants to gain ground financially to do so.

The Bank of Pageland

Shoes, Shoes, Shoes

We are now receiving one of the best lines of fall and winter shoes ever brought to Pageland, and we are glad to say that with only a few exceptions, we have no advance in price. We still have on hand a good selection of Oxfords that we are offering at cash.

We also have a splendid line of new fall goods of every kind that will be offered at the lowest possible price. See us for anything in the mercantile line. Remember our motto is not to be undersold.

Pageland Mercantile Company

30,000 Italian subjects in Germany.

According to unofficial reports Italy's allies were dissatisfied and asked the Italian representatives at the Paris entente conference why their nation was not at war with Germany. Italy had already agreed not to conclude a separate peace and at the Paris conference sanctioned the plan for a permanent high council of the entente powers for future conduct of the war. The increasing cooperation among the entente allies and the necessity for bringing into service Italy's surplus of troops, which could not be employed on the other fronts without bringing on war with Germany, gradually brought Italy into such a position that it became evident a declaration of hostilities against Germany was only a matter of time.

Wanted during the next ten days wool or cotton rags. Will pay one-half cent a pound. Deliver them to me at Pageland. Ed Miles.

For Sale two hogs in good condition, weight about 150 pounds gross. S. L. Stokes, R. 3.

MONEY: Unlimited amount of money to lend upon improved farm lands at 7 per cent interest. No charges for attorneys fees and commissions other than that included in interest charge of seven per cent. Pollock & Pegues, Attorneys, Cheraw, S. C.

Ordinance No. 35

Be it ordained by the Town Council of the Town of Pageland that on and after the first day of September 1916 it shall be unlawful for any person or persons to drive within the corporate limits of the Town of Pageland any automobile or vehicle propelled by gasoline or other like substance with muffler cut-out open or without the use of a muffler on the exhaust.

Any person or persons violating this ordinance shall, upon conviction, be fined not less than One dollar nor more than Ten dollars, or imprisoned not exceeding 30 days at the discretion of the Mayor.

Passed and ordained by the Town Council assembled this the 3rd day of August 1916.

R. H. Nelson, mayor.
L. J. Watford, clerk.

Veterinary Surgeon

Calls answered day or night. Phone No. 48 two rings. Full stock of horse and cattle powders on hand at all times.

L. P. GRAVES

Registration Books Open

Registration books will be open every first Monday at the Auditor's office until 30 days before the general election.

S. B. Timmons, Chm.
E. T. White, Clerk,
W. M. Belk.